
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT
Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d)
of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): January 18, 2017

NBT BANCORP INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)
52 South Broad Street, Norwich, New York
(Address of principal executive offices)

0-14703
(Commission File Number)

16-1268674
(IRS Employer Identification No.)
13815
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (607) 337-2265

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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 - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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Item 8.01 Other Events

On January 18, 2017, NBT Bancorp Inc. (the “Company”) announced the appointment of Sarah A. Halliday as Executive Vice President and President of Commercial Banking. She will serve on the Company’s Executive Management Team. A copy of the press release announcing Halliday’s appointment is filed with this Current Report on Form 8-K as Exhibit 99.1, and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 Press release dated January 18, 2017

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the Registrant has duly caused this Report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

NBT BANCORP INC.

Date: January 18, 2017

By: /s/ F. Sheldon Prentice

F. Sheldon Prentice

Executive Vice President, General Counsel & Corporate Secretary

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99.1	Press release dated January 18, 2017

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
ATTENTION: FINANCIAL AND BUSINESS EDITORS

Contact: Florence R. Doller, SVP & Director of Corporate Communications

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HALLIDAY JOINS NBT BANCORP AS PRESIDENT OF COMMERCIAL BANKING

NORWICH, NY (January, 18, 2017) – NBT Bancorp Inc. (NBT) (NASDAQ: NBTB) President and CEO John H. Watt Jr. announced today that Sarah A. Halliday has joined NBT as Executive Vice President and President of Commercial Banking. She will also serve on NBT's Executive Management Team.

In her new role, Halliday will assume overall responsibility for NBT's Commercial Banking Division. "We're excited by the opportunity to have Sarah drive our commercial banking efforts and join the NBT leadership team," said Watt. "We have a strong, talented team of commercial bankers who will welcome her leadership and enthusiasm as we continue to offer local and relationship-based service and financing solutions that meet the current and future needs of our customers."

Halliday has 25 years of experience in banking and commercial lending. She comes to NBT from M&T Bank where she was most recently employed as Capital Region Market President. Prior to joining M&T in 2005, Halliday worked for the New York Business Development Corporation for 11 years as Vice President and Loan Officer. She started her career with Fleet Bank.

Halliday is a native of Syracuse and earned her Bachelor of Arts degree from Colgate University, graduating with honors in Economics. She resides in the Albany area and will maintain offices in both Albany and at NBT's headquarters in Norwich, N.Y.

NBT Bancorp Inc. is a financial holding company headquartered in Norwich, N.Y., with total assets of \$8.8 billion at September 30, 2016. The company primarily operates through NBT Bank, N.A., a full-service community bank and through two financial services companies. NBT Bank, N.A. has 154 banking locations with offices in New York, Pennsylvania, Vermont, Massachusetts, New Hampshire and Maine. EPIC Advisors, Inc., based in Rochester, N.Y., is a full-service 401(k) plan recordkeeping firm. NBT-Mang Insurance Agency, based in Norwich, N.Y., is a full-service insurance agency. More information about NBT and its divisions can be found on the Internet at: www.nbtbancorp.com, www.nbtbank.com, www.epic1st.com and www.nbtmang.com.
